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E.O. 11652: GDS
TAGS: PFOR WB GE US UK UR FR
SUBJECT: GDR MFA NOTE ON OVERFLIGHT OF GDR TERRITORY

REFS: (A) STATE 77244; (B) BERLIN 5683;
(C) USBER 618; (D) BONN 3652

1. AS INSTRUCTED REF (A) THE US REP INITIATED
DISCUSSION OF THE GDR NOTE CONCERNING NEW OVERFLIGHT
REGULATIONS IN THE APRIL 7 BONN GROUP MEETING. AFTER
WEIGHING THE PROS AND CONS, ALL REPS WERE OF THE
OPINION THAT THE BEST COURSE OF ACTION VIS-A-VIS
THE GDR WAS TO IGNORE THE NOTE. ALL REPS ARE
ACCORDINGLY RECOMMENDING THAT THERE BE NO ACKNOWLEDG-
MENT FROM EMBASSIES IN BERLIN.

2. THE US AND THE FRENCH REPS WERE ALSO OF THE OPINION
THAT NOTHING SHOULD BE SAID TO THE SOVIETS ON THE
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MATTER. AS UNDER ALLIED THEORY THE REGULATION IS ON
ITS FACE INAPPLICABLE TO THE BERLIN CORRIDORS, SINCE
THEY ARE NOT PART OF THE "SOVEREIGN AIR
SPACE OF THE GDR," THE BEST COURSE WOULD SEEM TO BE
SIMPLY TO CONTINUE NORMAL USAGE OF THE CORRIDORS
WITHOUT GOING OUT OF OUR WAY TO GIVE THE SOVIETS AN
OPPORTUNITY TO COMMENT ON THE SUBJECT. THE UK REP

(EYERS) SAID HE WOULD PREFER TO GIVE MORE THOUGHT TO THE QUESTION OF WHETHER THERE MIGHT BE SOME ADVANTAGE IN TALKING TO THE SOVIETS BEFORE EXPRESSING A VIEW.

3. ACTION REQUESTED: THAT THE DEPARTMENT AGREE WITH THE RECOMMENDATION THAT EMBASSY BERLIN NOT ACKNOWLEDGE THE GDR FOREIGN MINISTRY NOTE.
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